

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 1, 1976

Dear Vern:

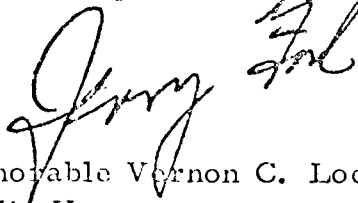
It is with the deepest regret and a personal sense of loss that I accept your resignation as Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

Since the first days of my Presidency, you have served as one of my key representatives on Capitol Hill with extraordinary skill, energy and devotion. I know from my own long experience in the Congress that your understanding of the complexities of our legislative system and your ability to work with and within that system is unsurpassed.

On numerous occasions during the past twenty months I have turned to you for your professional leadership and sound judgement on the difficult legislative issues which have come before us. You have given to me and to our Nation the fullest measure of your talents and your insight. I know I can speak not only for your many friends and associates here at the White House but also for my former colleagues in Congress in saying you will be greatly missed.

Just as I have appreciated your unhesitating support in the past, I am deeply grateful for your commitment to continue serving this Administration in the future. You may be sure you take to your new responsibilities my very best wishes.

With warmest personal regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jimmy Carter", with a date "4/1" written above it.

The Honorable Vernon C. Loen  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

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March 20, 1976

Dear Mr. President:

Serving you since the first day of your distinguished Presidency has been the highest honor and privilege of my life.

As a President of the minority party outnumbered two-to-one on Capitol Hill, you have more than held your own in advancing domestic and foreign policy objectives while restoring peace, prosperity and public trust to the Nation. I am proud to have held a leadership role in helping you achieve those goals, particularly when it was necessary to utilize the Presidential veto. The fact that an overwhelming number of your vetoes has been sustained is a tribute to your firm leadership and unwavering devotion to principle.

Now that you are in a strong position to meet the tests of the coming months and years, family and personal considerations prompt me to accept an attractive offer of employment in another Government agency. Accordingly, I hereby am submitting my resignation, effective upon the date of my new appointment.

I look forward to the continued opportunity to serve you and the American people in the remaining years of your Presidency. Now, and for always, you have my utmost admiration and devotion.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Vernon C. Loen  
Deputy Assistant  
to the President